

# House File 2470 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC  
GROWTH

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 675)

## A BILL FOR

1 An Act adopting and implementing the recommendations of the  
2 artisanal butchery task force.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1     Section 1. ARTISANAL BUTCHERY TASK FORCE — IMPLEMENTATION  
2 OF FINAL REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS. The artisanal butchery task  
3 force, established pursuant to 2021 Iowa Acts, chapter 175,  
4 section 2, issued its final report to the general assembly on  
5 December 30, 2021. Adopting the recommendations of the final  
6 report, all of the following shall occur:

7     1. a. No later than December 31, 2022, the department of  
8 education, in collaboration with the state board of education,  
9 shall establish a framework for a one-year community college  
10 certificate program for artisanal butchery that is based on  
11 the recommendations in the artisanal butchery task force final  
12 report, and the department shall provide the framework to all  
13 community colleges established under chapter 260C.  
14     b. A community college established under chapter 260C  
15 that elects to establish a one-year certificate program for  
16 artisanal butchery shall use the framework provided by the  
17 department of education under paragraph "a" as the minimum  
18 requirements, and may modify the curriculum based on the unique  
19 circumstances of the specific community college. Pursuant  
20 to sections 258.3A, 258.4, and 260C.14, and applicable Iowa  
21 administrative rules, the community college shall obtain  
22 approval of the community college's certificate program prior  
23 to implementation of the program.

24     2. a. The department of workforce development, in  
25 collaboration with the economic development authority, shall  
26 develop and maintain a library of resources that serves as  
27 a single resource point at which any Iowa-based business  
28 involved in meat processing may obtain education and financial  
29 assistance information. The library shall include, at a  
30 minimum, information on all of the following:

- 31     (1) Short courses offered at the meats laboratory at Iowa  
32 state university of science and technology.  
33     (2) Registered apprenticeships.  
34     (3) Summer youth internships.  
35     (4) Jobs training under chapter 260F.

1 (5) Establishing an in-house apprenticeship program.

2 (6) How to access training programs.

3 (7) Employee development opportunities.

4 (8) Future ready Iowa programs.

5 (9) The butchery innovation and revitalization grant  
6 program.

7 (10) The choose Iowa marketing and promotion grant program.

8 b. The library of resources shall be posted on the  
9 department's internet site, in a manner that is easily  
10 accessible to the public, no later than December 31, 2022.

11 3. No later than July 31, 2022, and notwithstanding the  
12 minimum criteria listed in section 84A.1B, subsection 14,  
13 paragraphs "a" through "c", the workforce development board  
14 shall add butchery, artisanal butchery, and meat processing to  
15 the list of high-demand jobs for the purposes listed in section  
16 84A.1B, subsection 14.

17 4. a. The department of agriculture and land stewardship  
18 shall collaborate with Iowa state university extension and  
19 outreach to develop and maintain a direct-to-consumer tool  
20 kit that contains, at a minimum, the information detailed  
21 in the artisanal butchery task force's final report. The  
22 direct-to-consumer tool kit shall be posted on the department's  
23 internet site, in a manner that is easily accessible to the  
24 public, no later than December 31, 2022.

25 b. The department of agriculture and land stewardship shall  
26 develop and maintain a directory of meat lockers in Iowa that  
27 provides the location of, and the contact information for, each  
28 meat locker in the directory. The directory shall be posted  
29 on the department's internet site, in a manner that is easily  
30 accessible to the public, no later than December 31, 2022.

31 EXPLANATION

32 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
33 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

34 This bill adopts and implements the recommendations of  
35 the artisanal butchery task force (task force), established

1 pursuant to 2021 Iowa Acts, chapter 175, section 2, as issued  
2 in its final report to the general assembly on December 30,  
3 2021.

4 The bill requires the department of education (department),  
5 in collaboration with the state board of education, to  
6 establish a framework, no later than December 31, 2022, for a  
7 one-year community college (college) certificate program for  
8 artisanal butchery that is based on the recommendations in the  
9 task force final report, and the department shall provide the  
10 framework to all colleges established under Code chapter 260C.  
11 A college that elects to establish a certificate program shall  
12 use the framework provided by the department as the minimum  
13 requirements, and may modify the curriculum based on the unique  
14 circumstances of the specific college. As detailed in the  
15 bill, the college shall obtain approval of its certificate  
16 program prior to implementation of the program.

17 No later than December 31, 2022, the bill requires the  
18 department of workforce development (workforce development),  
19 in collaboration with the economic development authority  
20 (authority), to develop and maintain a library of resources  
21 that serves as a single resource point at which any Iowa-based  
22 business involved in meat processing may obtain education and  
23 financial assistance information as detailed in the bill.

24 The bill requires workforce development to add butchery,  
25 artisanal butchery, and meat processing to the list of  
26 high-demand jobs pursuant to Code section 84A.1B(14) no later  
27 than July 31, 2022.

28 The department of agriculture and land stewardship (DALs) is  
29 required to collaborate with Iowa state university extension  
30 and outreach to develop and maintain a direct-to-consumer tool  
31 kit that contains, at a minimum, the information detailed in  
32 the task force's final report. The tool kit shall be posted on  
33 DALs's internet site no later than December 31, 2022.

34 The bill requires DALs to develop and maintain a directory  
35 of meat lockers in Iowa that provides the location of, and the

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1 contact information for, each locker in the directory. The  
2 directory must be posted on DALs's internet site no later than  
3 December 31, 2022.